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Junior Dairymen's Contest

Superintendent: David R. Winston, Virginia Tech

To provide an educational program for Virginia youth who are interested in improving and testing their knowledge of the dairy industry.

REGISTRATION

Entry Deadline: September 17th

- 4-H Leader or FFA Advisor will complete the group entry form:
<https://www.youth.dasc.vt.edu/state-fair-jr-dairymens-contest.html>
- The superintendent will email the advisor/leader an Excel spreadsheet to enter names and other information for each contest and to make preliminary team assignments. Leader/advisor will return the completed spreadsheet to the superintendent via email.

Location: State Fair of Virginia, First Bank & Trust Company Pavilion

Date: September 23rd, 2022

Time: Registration at 10-10:30 AM, Instructions at 10:45 AM, Contest at 11:00 AM, Awards at 3:00 PM.

Participants must have a \$5.00 Student Competition Ticket to enter the Fairgrounds. 4-H Agent/FFA Coach is responsible for ordering tickets: <https://www.vaffa.org/state-fair-of-virginia>

RULES

1. The Junior Dairymen's contest is open to any bona fide 4-H or FFA member in Virginia. Contestants must be entered and certified by their local extension agent or agricultural education teacher prior to the entry deadline.
2. Students are not eligible if they have begun college prior to June 1 of the current year.
3. Each county 4-H club or agriculture department is invited to enter up to five teams total (junior and senior divisions combined). Teams may consist of three or four members. When four members are entered, the three members with the highest overall individual scores will make up the team total. The fourth member will be the alternate. Alternates will be eligible for individual awards. In addition, any 4-H member or FFA member may judge as an individual contestant as long as he or she has been properly entered.
4. Junior contestants will be those who are 13 years old or younger by Sept. 30 of the current year. Senior contestants will be those who are 14-19 years old by Sept. 30 of the current year.
5. The superintendent of the contest, in cooperation with the contest committee, will be in charge of the contest and will conduct it in compliance with these rules and regulations. He/she will have the authority for the interpretation of the rules.
6. The overall individual ranking shall be determined by adding contestant's scores. The overall team ranking shall be determined by totaling all the scores of the three team members. In case of a tie for individual or team awards, ranking will be determined by the team (individual) with the highest score in Class 1. If still tied, Class 2 will be used and so on until broken.
7. All contestants and coaches will report to the Cattle Complex (First Bank & Trust Company Pavilion) at 10:45 AM. Final instructions will be given, and questions answered at this time.
8. The superintendent will supply contestants with placing cards and any other necessary forms. No contestant will be allowed to take any books, notes, or pamphlets into the ring.
9. 25 minutes will be allowed for the quiz. 15 minutes will be allowed for identification classes and DHIA questions. 12 minutes will be allowed for judging classes.

10. While the contest is in session there shall be **NO COMMUNICATION** among contestants and anyone else, except as designated by the superintendent or assistants. Cell phones, PDA's, or other types of electronic communication may not be used by contestants while the contest is in progress. Violators will be penalized by having one or more scores disallowed.

11. Additional information about the contest including study materials for the quiz and a list of potential identification items may be found on the following website:

www.youth.dasc.vt.edu/state-fair-jr-dairymens-contest.html

CLASSES

- 1. Written test of 50 questions.....250 points
- 2. Identification of 10 pieces of dairy equipment.....50 points
- 3. Identification of 10 pieces of cattle equipment.....50 points
- 4. Identification of 10 grains, forages, silage, or supplements commonly fed to dairy cows...50 points
- 5. Identification of 10 dairy products.....50 points
- 6. Answer 10 questions on DHIA records.....50 points
- 7. Judge a class of cows.....50 points
- 8. Judge a class of heifers.....50 points
- TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS.....600 Points

PREMIUMS

All contestants will receive a participation ribbon. The high team and high individual in both the Junior and Senior contests will receive a plaque. The State Fair of Virginia will provide premiums and ribbons for the high scoring teams and individuals according to the following:

Placing	<u>Teams</u>		Placing	<u>Individual</u>	
	Senior	Junior		Senior	Junior
1	\$100	\$50	1	\$50	\$25
2	\$90	\$45	2	\$45	\$20
3	\$80	\$40	3	\$40	\$15
4	\$70	\$35	4	\$35	\$10
5	\$60	\$30	5	\$30	\$5
6	\$50	\$25	6	\$25	\$5
7	\$40	\$20	7	\$20	\$5
8	\$30	\$15	8	\$15	\$5
9	\$20	\$10	9	\$10	\$5
10	\$10	\$5	10	\$5	\$5

SCHOLARSHIPS

Contestants will be eligible to participate in the State Fair Scholarship Program. Please see the **State Fair website, www.statefairva.org for more information regarding the State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Program and eligibility requirements for other available scholarships.** The following scholarships will be awarded: **Southland Dairy Farmers is sponsoring the 1st place Junior and Senior scholarships.**

Place	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Sr. Division	\$600	\$400	\$300	\$200
Jr. Division	\$400	\$300	\$200	\$100